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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I cannot see how a case was ever brought against Microsoft in the first place. They are not a monopoly; they simply make the product that most people enjoy. That's why I was so pleased when a settlement has finally reached in November.

I was sorry, however, that Microsoft had to give up so much in order for the Justice Department to agree to end its suit. Microsoft is being asked to hand over software, that it has taken time and hard work to create, to its competitors for free. They even have to make sure that subsequent versions of Windows are more geared toward non-Microsoft products.

I feel that while this is all a bit extreme, it would be worth it in order to put an end to this case. Both Microsoft and the Justice Department have more important issues to worry about right now, and it would be good to have them free to do so.

Sincerely,

